REMARKS

Claims 1, 9, 12-15, 17 and 18 were rejected in the office action and have been canceled in this response. Claims 6-8, and 16 were allowed and remain.

The Examiner is encouraged to call Attorney of Record, Michael L. Greenberg, at 301-588-8393 should there be any further questions or concerns regarding the present application.

A petition for an extension of time is hereby made. Please charge all fees due and owing to deposit account number 500356.

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CERTIFICATION OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this amendment and response and petition was sent via fax 1-703-308-6916 to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on June 15, 2004.

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